

an movement to propose statistics and maps which they have in their possession, to beat out their contention. They will see the President again tomorrow on this subject.

President Wilson told Representative Baker that he considered the situation one which required serious consideration, and told of his intention of sending to-day's telegram to Gov. Johnson and the California Legislature.

Following the conference with President Wilson Judge Baker said to The Evening World representative:

"We told the President that the people of California were determined to settle now this question of the Japanese invasion of our State. It has been a steadily growing evil and we feel that it can no longer be tolerated. There is necessity of putting an end to the encroachment. If the white people are to be protected in their homes and secure in their happiness.

"A large majority of our people are strong for laws that will prevent the Japanese from securing land and a permanent foothold in our midst. The movement that prompted this feeling is knowledge born of experience that the Japanese are undesirable citizens, both socially and in business. In the large cities the presence of these foreigners is not so noticeable, but in the small communities the full force of their influence is felt.

"On the social side one of the strongest points of hostility arises from Japanese morals. Their practices are such as to rouse highest resentment in respectable circles. Hundreds of small incidents are arising to inflame the minds of the people of the State in this phase of alien antagonism. For example, in a town near Los Angeles there was discovered an underground passage leading from a house of a certain Japanese to a disreputable resort in which women were kept. This brings vividly to mind the horrors of older days in San Francisco's Chinatown, now happily wiped out.

SETLED CHINESE QUESTION NOW PAGES JAPANESE.

"California settled the Chinese question and is now confronted with the Japanese question. We want to end it in the same way."

Congressman Heitner took up the discussion of Japanese in business. "They are arrogant, tricky, unreliable and treacherous," he said. "They do not stick by agreements in business and they violate contracts whenever they get a chance. They are not only undesirable socially, but they are most undesirable in business. They seek to obtain the best and choicer lands in the State. Their presence results in driving out white people and depreciating the value of surrounding property. They, they are indolent, but we do not like their morale or their business methods."

"The State is thoroughly aroused, and I believe a large majority of the people desire the enactment of restricting laws."

Congressman Davis said: "We may have to extend out the scope of the laws so that other foreigners would be covered, but the people of the State are determined to check this Japanese invasion, even though some other classes are here in the process. Our people regard the Japanese much in the same way you Americans regard another race question. How would you like to have a cigar for your next-door neighbor? That's the way we feel about the Japanese."

If the other laws are passed by California it is possible, if not probable, that the Federal Government will take steps to have declared unconstitutional any law which specifically makes aliens "ineligible to citizenship" and incapable of land ownership or leasing.

But the President is still hopeful that the California Legislature will realize before it finally decides on the form of the contemplated laws the general gravity of the proceeding and will follow the wishes of the United States Government.

WEAR OUTBREAK AMONG THE "WINGOS" OF JAPAN.

The situation was admittedly giving the President concern to-day. Secretary Bryan talked it over with the President; and it was reported to have a brief talk of discussion at the regular Cabinet meeting later in the day. The Administration in no way questions the rights of the State to enact laws for its own protection, but it considers the question of working of such laws one of moment.

The real fear of the officials in Washington is that there will be an outbreak of anti-American feeling among the "Wingos" of Japan.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 22.—Gov. Johnson received President Wilson's memorandum of protest against the alien land bills at 11 o'clock and immediately had it copied into a special message to both Houses of the Legislature. No amendment was offered by the Governor and the message to the Legislature contained only a formal protest that the messages had been received.

JAPAN LOVES US, HE SAYS.

One of the passengers on the Minnesota, which arrived to-day from London, was Capt. Uyeno of the Imperial Japanese army, who was for two years military attaché at the Japanese legation in London. The captain said that he was going to visit his brother in America and then return to Japan. When asked what he thought of the action now pending before the California legislature, he said that he thought it was just that the people there had a perfect right to make their own laws. "Do you think it will make any trouble between Japan and this country?" he was asked.

"Oh, no," replied the Captain, his face wreathed in smiles. "Japan loves the United States."

MISS ATHENS, STAR OF COURT MATINEE, DRAWS BIG CROWD

Women Scramble for Seats to Hear How She Lost Her \$50,000 Heart.

TELLS OF PROPOSAL.

In Paris One Always "Pops" While Driving on the Bois. She Informs Lawyer.

After bearing up through nine hours of bitter, hacking cross-examination, with scores a tremor, Mrs. Ruth L. Trufant broke down this afternoon and wept on the stand when she was forced to tell of the evening in April, 1912, when Henry G. Williams, the aged owner of the Hotel York, told her he was "through with her." It is because of this "wom" that Mrs. Trufant, or Miss Athens, as she is known on the stage, is suing for \$50,000 for breach of promise.

"Tell us how you came to break up," said Mr. Williams' attorney. "Oh, oh! oh!" she sobbed, hysterically.

It was more than ten minutes before she was composed enough to continue. "I told him I had heard he was paying attention to a very young girl. He demanded to know what business it was mine."

"I should think it was some business of mine," I told him. "Here I've given you the best eight years of my life. I've given you my youth, my health, my beauty, my love; I've given up all chance of marrying any one else, and I've lost all chance of making a success on the stage. Now you ask what business it is if mine?"

"How much was her salary?" asked Mr. Hardy.

"She received only \$2 or \$3 a week," Mr. Mitchell replied. "I must add, however, that in our profession we like to get 'em young and take advantage of 'em in the matter of salary. Then, when they become older and well known, they take advantage of us."

"What do I care what you do?" he said. "Be a government! Go shoot yourself."

"That was all I got for eight years of devotion."

WOMEN FIGHT FOR SEATS IN COURTOOM.

Apparently the fame of Miss Athens' playful endurance yesterday of six hours of most embarrassing hollering had spread overnight. A crowd of fashionably dressed women, rubbing their eyes sleepily, was waiting about the court house corridors, an hour before the doors of Justice Davis' court-room were thrown open. "When the doors were at last unlocked there was such a scramble of women tripping over their high heeled in their eagerness to get "good seats" that the room was soon packed and Justice Davis was obliged to order the court attendants to put up the bars and admit no one else unless on business.

Clinton J. Hardy, representing Mr. Williams, "Bossy," as he was in amorous moments—took up the cross-examination.

Mr. Hardy questioned her closely about her engagement to Frank M. Andrews, wealthy architect of the Hotel Meigs.

SAYS "BOOSEY" GAVE HER "TRIFLE OF \$500 A MONTH."

The attorney called Mrs. Athens' attention to a phrase reading "I will keep your regular money for you" in one of Mr. Williams' letters and asked her where it meant.

"Oh, that was a trifle of \$500 a month that, Honey, allowed me," she said instantly.

"Yes."

"Name them."

"Well"—began the hotel man, when Justice Davis tapped him on the shoulder and whispered in his ear. Then, for several minutes, the Justice and the witness whispered animatedly. At the conclusion of the powwow Justice Davis scowled and shook his head at Mr. Hardy.

"Very well, Your Honor," acceded the attorney. "I won't let him mention the name you don't want brought out. I will simply let him tell of the calls of Frank M. Andrews and Julian Mitchell."

It is understood Justice Davis is unwilling to drag into the case the name of a very wealthy New York man, who perished with the Titanic.

Williams declared Miss Athens was "money-mad." On two occasions, he said, she had demanded that he give her \$50,000.

"Why, Mr. Williams did," she continued. "Who else would?"

"And where were you when Mr. Williams again proposed marriage?"

"By dear sir," replied Miss Athens, "obviously you don't know Paris. One always proposes marriage when driving in the Bois."

Miss Athens admitted candidly that she went to Paris in 1912 to study music with Jean de Resme. Mr. Williams gave her \$500 for her expenses in Paris she stopped at the Grand Hotel. Early in 1913, she said, she went to London and asked George Edward of the Gailey Theatre for a position.

"Mr. Edwards tried me out for about six weeks in a small part," she added plaintively. "Then Mr. Williams came over and took me away to Switzerland. You, he paid my bill at the Waldorf in London, and on the Swiss trip."

Suddenly the lawyer changed his tactics. "My dear sir," replied Miss Athens, "Bessie Clayton, the wife of Julian Mitchell, the theatrical producer, got a divorce. You were named as respondent, weren't you?"

Miss Athens' lips curled sarcastically. "Certainly not!" she answered.

DENIES SHE WAS NAMED AS CO-RESPONDENT.

"And weren't you named as respondent in the divorce suit brought by Mrs. Andrews?"

"I was not."

"Didn't Mr. Andrews send you abroad in 1912 to keep you from testifying in that divorce suit?"

"You know that isn't the truth, Mr. Attorney," Miss Athens replied quickly.

" Didn't you demand \$50,000 from Mr. Williams in April, 1912, with the threat that unless he gave you that money you would make public his letter?"

"I did not," Miss Athens said emphatically.

Julian Mitchell, theatrical producer

"Star" in Courtroom "Matinee," Whose Story Draws Crowd



1,500 STRIKERS MARCH AT FUNERAL OF SLAIN COMRADE

Paterson Police Orders For-bidding Parade Jeered by Crowds as They Rally.

STONES FLYING AGAIN.

Mob Surrounds Railroad Station to Head Off A. F. of L. Strikebreakers.

With bared heads 15,000 men, women and children and children, strikers of the Paterson silk mills, this afternoon marched through the streets of the city, following the body of Antonio Vellone as it was borne from his home, where he was killed by a bullet from a policeman's revolver. It was taken to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

The marching host was determined to accompany the body all the way to the cemetery, two miles beyond the city limits. Vellone was a striker and was killed while sitting in his home by a bullet fired at trouble makers.

Every man, woman and child in line had pinned on a red rose or carnation, and floral offerings to the dead fellow-worker were carried aloft on staffs.

An inscription on one floral device was "A Victim of Brutality."

The hearse moved ahead, but the casket was carried for a half mile to the church upon the shoulders of men who had worked beside Vellone. The procession formed a double line on either side of the street, the strikers walking two abreast in each division.

William D. Haywood, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and other I. W. W. leaders marched with the strikers, but made no apparent effort to assume active leadership. They mingled with those in the ranks.

To form in rank or file is a violation of Chief of Police Bimson's rule, laid down many weeks ago, and the strikers knew it but ugly insults have been directed at the press of the community.

INSTEAD, THE VALUATION WAS CARRIED AT \$12,000,000.

The acquisition of the Joy Steamship Company by the New Haven system was next taken up. Mr. Brown said this line was taken over by the New Haven system in December, 1908, when a payment of \$775,000 in a note was made by the navigation company to the New Haven Company. About Nov. 28, 1908, the New Haven Company issued checks for \$825,000 and \$850,000 to Vice-President Kochersperger for the acquisition of Joy Line stock. Altogether \$1,210,750 was paid for the Joy Line.

The witness said that the records showed that the Joy Line had been operated at a deficit, but \$170 a share was paid by the navigation company for its stock. The appraisal of the Joy Line holdings was made by P. M. Dunmore, a Joy line official, and aggregated \$775,000. To this was added \$250,000 for "good will."

MELLON DENIES HE PROMPTED PERSONALLY BY TRANSACTIONS

In April, 1907, the navigation company sold the Boston line of the Joy Steamship Company to C. W. Mellon, who then transferred the Metropolitan Steamship Company, for \$200,000. Mr. Mellon paid his check, which was deposited with the Bank of North America, New York.

In a statement given out to-day President Mellon charged: "The entire attitude of the accountants shows animosity, unwillingness to be drawn as to the facts and a desire to draw hostile inferences."

He declared the charges were ridiculous and absurd. Mr. Mellon indignantly denied the "insinuations of the accountants of the Interstate Commerce Commission that he profited personally, eight or nine years ago, by transactions with the New Haven road."

"Any one who stops to think of the character of the men who constitute the New Haven Board of Directors will realize that the fact that these transactions have been audited and approved by the directors is sufficient proof that nothing threatened trouble. He said the strikers would be allowed to follow their comrade to his grave in the Catholic Cemetery, but they would not be permitted to form a parade. Moreover, the chief marshalled all his men and went over the situation with him."

During the five months the accountants have been at work on the New Haven books they have never panned a word with me or made the slightest inquiry of me as to the matters they now bring forward.

"The attitude of the accountants in admitting as they did at the hearing that doubtless there is a perfectly satisfactory explanation of these transactions for which they had never sought, and at the same time indicating that my integrity is affected. I regard as a dastardly proceeding."

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Meeting two meetings were being held by the strikers, one in Town Hall and the other in Holte Hall. Harwood, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Patrick Quinlan and Charles Treacy addressed the strikers and recommended the American Federation of Labor, charging that its leaders were in the employ of the mill owners to stop the strike.

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BELIEVEABLE—Miss Athens, in her court-room matinee, whose story drew a large crowd, is shown here in a photograph. She is wearing a dark dress and a hat, and is looking directly at the camera with a serious expression.

CONGRESS ASKED TO INVESTIGATE "BASEBALL TRUST"

"Most Audacious and Autocratic in Country," Says Representative Gallagher's Bill.

WASHINGON, April 22.—Investigation by a House committee and the Attorney-General of the National Commission controlling organized baseball, described as the "most autocratic and audacious trust in the world," was advised in a resolution of inquiry offered to-day by Representative Gallagher of Illinois, as an outgrowth of the Ty Cobb case.

A committee of seven members to investigate the operations of the baseball trust, and a paragraph instructing the Attorney-General to report on any legal violations contained in the contract which baseball players are forced to sign, was contained in the resolution.

Gallagher's resolution directs that the committee investigate alleged unjust discriminations against players; whether the baseball magnates have no combined as to prevent competition; whether players are coerced from their rights.

"The most audacious and autocratic trust in the world," the resolution declares, "is the one which presumes to control the game of baseball. Its officials are to compete with the public hackmen to operate under the same conditions generally as public hacks do at the present time, except in cases where telephone requests are made to them at their garages for their service."

Proprietors of some of the large hotels object to the elimination of private stands, insisting that if this be done they cannot insure to their guests the safe and efficient service they have now. They fear that unaccompanied women, using public hacks will not be so well protected, and that lost articles will not be so well handled.

Their objections would be well founded if it were proposed merely to abolish the private stands without providing for much more thorough regulation than we have at present.

We fully appreciate the fact that if the private stands are abolished the city must assume a much heavier burden of regulation, inspection and oversight of the general hack service than is imposed upon it at present. In other words, it will be necessary that the city administration shall so control and regulate public hacks that the proposed public hack service shall be at least equal in efficiency to the present private service. Such control is essential to the success of the change we recommend.

TAXI RATES TO BE LOWERED; PRIVATE STANDS TO GO

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REALTY MAN KILLS SELF.

Thomas E. Hayes Is Found Dead From Gas

Thomas E. Hayes, a real estate broker, committed suicide in the home of Henry N. Tift, his brother-in-law, at No. 309 West Seventy-sixth street, by inhaling gas to-day.